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RSOI/Foal Eagle '07 Safety Message

1. Reception, Staging, Onward Movement, and Integration/Foal Eagle (RSOI/FE) exercise will be our first major training exercise of the calendar year, providing an excellent opportunity to improve ROK/U.S. combat readiness and joint/combined interoperability. Large numbers of individual augmentees and entire units will join our staffs and formations for this exercise. Commanders and leaders at all levels must be fully engaged to ensure their safe integration into USFK formations and activities. For those joining us from off-shore, completion of Theater Specific Required Training is mandatory per USFK Reg 350-2. While striving for maximum training benefits, commanders should ensure that safety, command discipline and common sense is adhered to in all situations.
2. The safety of personnel and safeguarding of equipment are vital to the success of our training efforts. Unfortunately, the potential for accidents and opportunities for misguided behavior increase over the duration of most exercises. These increases result from overconfidence, fatigue, complacency, adverse weather, and alcohol abuse. I expect all Commanders to develop and implement risk control measures, closely supervise unit operations, and evaluate operational results. To prevent alcohol related incidents, Component Commanders will ensure participants observe [USFK Command Policy Letter #45, Alcohol Consumption](#) during JCS-Directed and other USFK Level Exercises. To address all other risks, leaders at every level must continue to incorporate composite risk management into their daily activities. We can enhance both safety and discipline through increased commander involvement and oversight. Read my safety guidance in [USFK Command Policy Letter #2, Command Safety](#) and in [USFK 2006-2007 Winter Safety Campaign](#).
3. I am totally committed to the achievement of our RSOI/FE '07 training objectives. I am equally insistent that we execute the training safely. I expect rigid enforcement of standards. The result will be enhanced safety and a more disciplined force with pride in their unit, pride in their mission, and pride in their accomplishments. To have a Servicemember injured or lost during this superb training opportunity would be a tragedy. We are accountable.

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